Review on coal royalty

† *363. SHRI SURESH PACHOURI: Will the Minister of COAL be pleased to state:

(a) since when the coal mineral royalty has not been reviewed;

(b) the losses suffered by State Governments on that account, State-wise;

(c) whether Government have made any arrangement for compensation of the same;

(d) whether a proposal to review the coal mineral royalty rate if being considered by Government;

(e) whether the said recommendations will be implemented by Government during the year 2001; and

(f) if so, when the new royalty rate of coal is planned to be announced?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF COAL (SHRI SYED SHAHNAWAZ HUSSAIN): (a) The royalty rates on coal were last revised on 11.10.1994,

(b) Royalty due is being paid to the concerned States. Hence, there is no loss caused to any State Government.

(c) Does not arise in view of answer given to part (b) above.

(d) to (f) No. Sir, There is no proposal, at present, to review the royalty on coal. However, a Committee has been constituted in the Ministry under the Chairmanship of Additional Secretary (Coal) to examine, *inter-alia*, the issue of adoption of *ad-valorem* basis for determining royalty on coal.

Rehabilitation of Surrendered Militants in North-East Region

*364. SHRIMATI BASANTI SARMA: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether any plan has been formulated by Government to

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rehabilitate surrendered militants in the North-East Region particularly Assam; if so, how, if not, the reasons therefor; and

(b) whether any scheme in this regard was submitted by the Governments of Assam, Meghalaya, Tripura, Manipur and Nagaland; if so, the details thereof; what is its present status?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI I. D. SWAMI): (a) and (b) Government has introduced a scheme for Surrender-cum-Rehabilitation of militants in the North-Eastern States of Arunachal Pradesh, Assam, Manipur, Meghalaya, Nagaland and Tripura. The Scheme for Surrender-cum-Rehabilitation of militants in the North East is applicable to those militants who have surrendered/surrender after 01.04.1998. The Government of India reimburses the expenditure incurred as per the guidelines on the rehabilitation of surrenderees. The Scheme envisages only assistance for self employment training and the surrendered militants are to apply for self employment schemes and other employment opportunities as per normal rules applicable. Under this scheme, there is no provision to rehabilitate the surrendered militants in the para military forces.

Certain suggestions have been received from the State Governments of Assam, Meghalaya, Tripura, Manipur and Nagaland. Modifications, if necessary, will be carried out in the guide-lines of the scheme.

Grants Provided to Government of Rajasthan

† *365. DR. MAHESH CHANDRA SHARMA: Will the Minister of NON-CONVENTIONAL ENERGY SOURCES be pleased to state:

(a) the amount of grant provided to Government of Rajasthan during financial years 1999-2000 and 2000-2001 by Ministry of Non-Conventional Energy Sources alongwith the details of the heads,

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